

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: HIRAOKA, Naoki, et al.

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Examiner: Gregory E. Webb

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For.

CHEMICAL SOLUTION FEEDING APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR PREPARING SLURRY

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: August 24, 2006

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 3, 2006 for two months, from July 3, 2006 to September 3, 2006.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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